

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the title as follows:

BIAXIALLY ORIENTED FILM AND MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM

HAVING SPECIFIED MICRO PROTRUSIONS

Amend the paragraph beginning at page 64, line 21, as follows:

As shown in Table 1, the polymer for the A layer was changed to a blend polymer of 20 weight percent polysulfone and 80 weight percent polyethylene terephthalate, and the polymer for the B layer was changed to a blend polymer (containing 0.05 weight percent spherical silica particles having an average particle diameter of 0.3 μ m) of 20 10 weight percent polysulfone and 80 90 weight percent polyethylene terephthalate as in EXAMPLE 9, and a biaxially oriented film was prepared by a stretching method according to EXAMPLE 1. The thicknesses of these layers were 2 μ m for the A layer and 4 μ m for the B layer.